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The Honorable James Matayosbi
Mayor
Rongelap Atoll Local Government Council
Republic of the Marshall Islands
P.O. Box 1766
Majuro, Marshall Islands 96960

Dear Mayor Matayoshi:

We are pleased to advise you that a summary report on environmental monitoring during Phase I cleanup activities on Rongelap Island has been completed by the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL). A copy is enclosed. In addition, the report may be accessed on the Marshall Islands homepage at the following web address: <http://tis.eh.doe.gov/ihp/marsh/marshall.htm> by clicking on the button labeled "Environmental Documents" in the upper right corner. It is the last document under the "R" section at the end of Rongelap list of documents.

Note the average effective dose for a year's occupancy within the village area has been reduced from about 19 to 0.6 mrem/year and is below the target level of 1 millirem per year recommended to the Rongelap Atoll Local Government Council.

We are pleased that our joint efforts have played an important part in helping the Rongelap community reach their Phase I resettlement objectives.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank Hawkins", with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Frank Hawkins
Chief Operating Officer
Office of Health Programs

Enclosure

cc: See Attached List



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cc w/enclosure:

The Honorable Alvin Jacklick,
Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade, RMI
His Excellency Banny de Brum,
Ambassador of the Republic of the Marshall Islands
The Honorable Michael J. Senko,
U.S. Ambassador to the Marshall Islands
The Honorable Abacca Anjain-Maddison,
Senator, Rongelap

cc w/o enclosure:

The Honorable Oscar de Brum,
Chief Judge, Nuclear Claims Tribunal
Howard Hills, Counsel to the Rongelap
Atoll Local Government Council
Dr. Terry Hamilton, LLNL